Wasp ARG CATF Surgeon
Post Deployment Brief

CDR Stanley Jones
18 February - 08 August 2000

Fleet Surgical Team FOUR

FST 4

Officer In Charge: CDR Jones

General Surgeon: LCDR Campbell

Internal Med Specialist: LT Manis

Nurse Anesthetist: LT Sheppard

Peri-operative Nurse: LCDR Doe

Critical Care Nurse: LT Norris

Medical Regulator: LTjg Klinger

Hospital Corpsmen: 9

Medical Personnel

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USS TRENTON (LPD 14)

Medical Officers:
- Ship- 1
- MEU- 1

Hospital Corpsmen:
- Ship- 9
- MEU- 20

USS WASP (LHD 1)

Med. Officers/NC/MSC:
- Ship- 2/0/1
- FST- 3/3/1
- MEU- 4/0/1

Hospital Corpsmen:
- Ship- 20
- FST- 9
- MEU- 45

USS OAK HILL (LSD 51)

Medical Officers:
- Ship- 1
- MEU- 0

Hospital Corpsmen
- Ship- 7
- MEU- 12

Pre-Deployment Workups

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PMINT (OCT 99):

- Emergency Medical Drills

MEUEX/JTFEX/SACEX (NOV-DEC 99):

- Mass Casualty & NEO

SOCEX (JAN 00):

- Mass Casualty & NEO

TRANSLANT Incident

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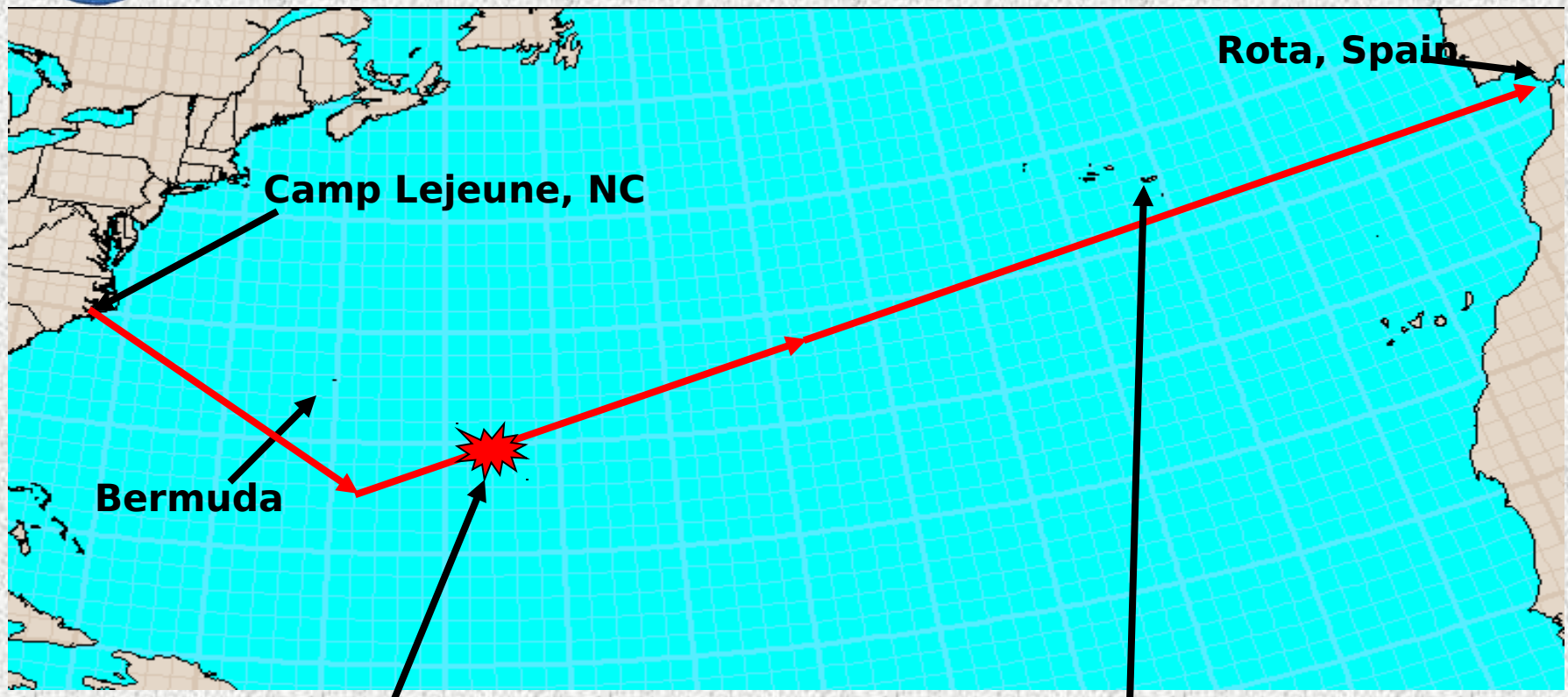

23 Feb 2000- Four WASP Sailors seriously injured outside skin of ship, 300 miles SE of Bermuda

27 Feb 2000- All four Sailors MEDEVAC'd to Lajes Field, Azores for further transfer to NMC Portsmouth, VA

TRANSLANT Incident
Injuries

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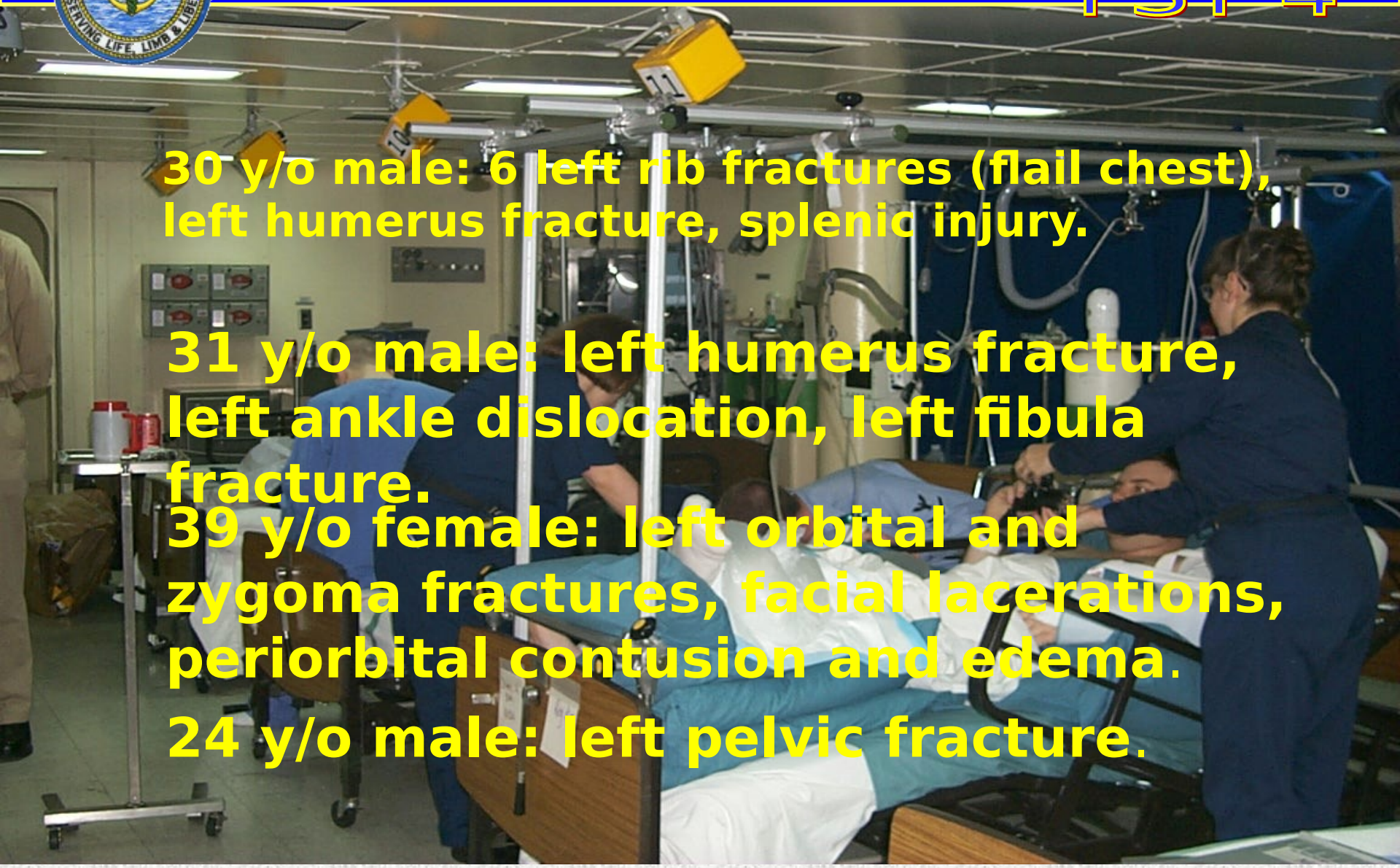

30 y/o male: 6 left rib fractures (flail chest), left humerus fracture, splenic injury.

31 y/o male: left humerus fracture, left ankle dislocation, left fibula fracture.

39 y/o female: left orbital and zygoma fractures, facial lacerations, periorbital contusion and edema.

24 y/o male: left pelvic fracture.

TRANSLANT Incident

Surgical Procedures

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- Open pelvic fracture irrigation and later fragment removal and irrigation
- Chest tube placement
- Fracture reduction
- Intubation and respirator
- Exploratory Celiotomy & splenectomy

TRANSLANT Incident
Blood Utilization

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5 units fresh blood used

10 units frozen blood deglyced but not used

TRANSLANT Incident
MEDEVAC

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- Not possible for four days
- Navy MH-53E to Lajes Field, Azores
- USAF transport to NMC Portsmouth

TRANSLANT Incident
Medical Debrief

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Exceptional patient care & teamwork.

Supply Issue

- There was a high rate of usage of narcotics for these four casualties
- USAF Clinic, Lajes Field and USNH Rota assisted us with replenishing these and other supplies

Deployment

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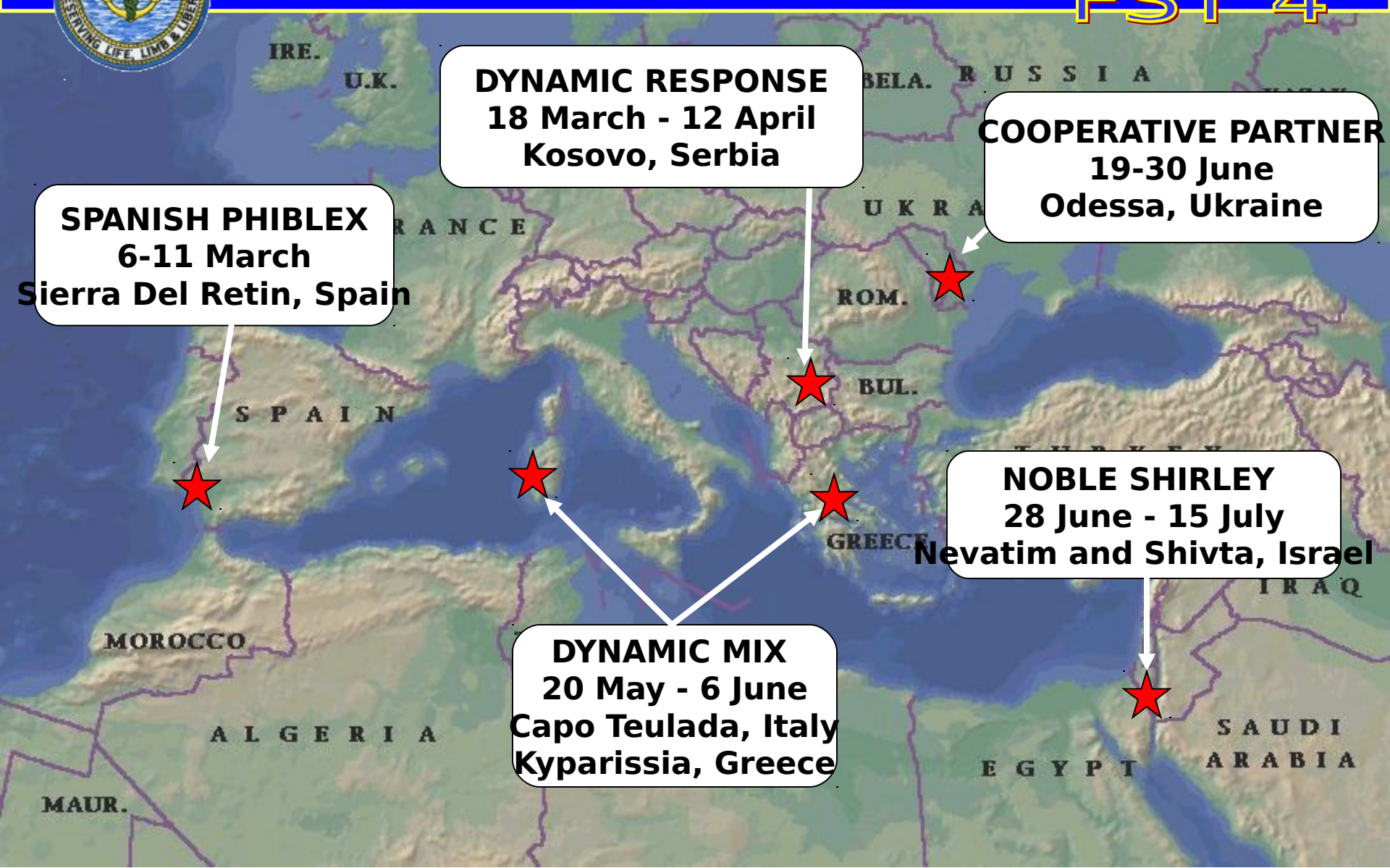

Port Visits

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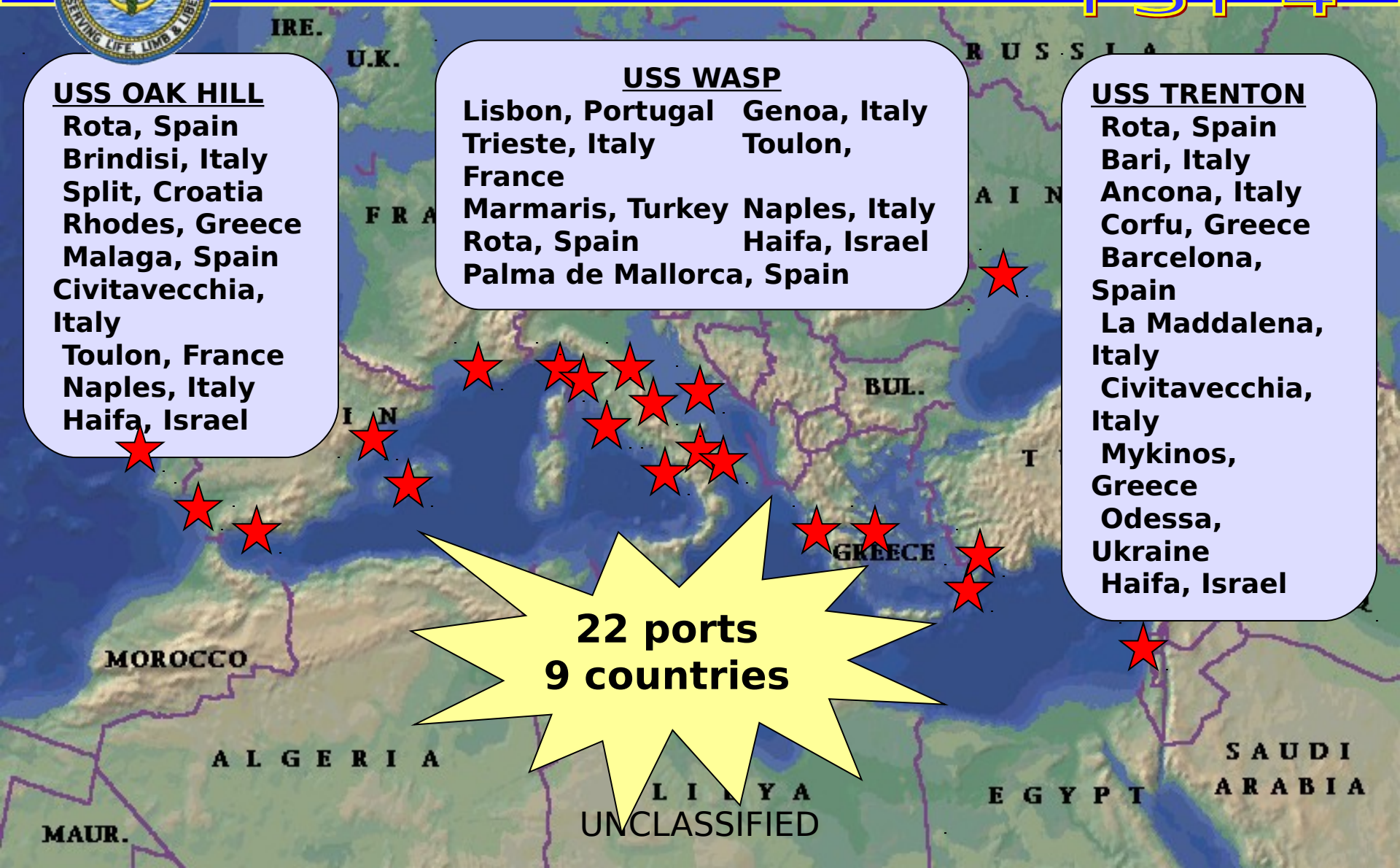
USS OAK HILL
Rota, Spain
Brindisi, Italy
Split, Croatia
Rhodes, Greece
Malaga, Spain
Civitavecchia, Italy
Toulon, France
Naples, Italy
Haifa, Israel

USS WASP
Lisbon, Portugal
Trieste, Italy
Marmaris, Turkey
Rota, Spain
Palma de Mallorca, Spain
Genoa, Italy
Toulon, France
Naples, Italy
Haifa, Israel

USS TRENTON
Rota, Spain
Bari, Italy
Ancona, Italy
Corfu, Greece
Barcelona, Spain
La Maddalena, Italy
Civitavecchia, Italy
Mykinos, Greece
Odessa, Ukraine
Haifa, Israel

22 ports
9 countries



Medical Highlights

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Cases of Interest:

- Greek sailor with appendicitis.
- Turkish sailor with closed head injury.
- Trenton sailor in Odessa, Ukraine who fell 20 feet onto rocks.
- Trenton sailor killed in Mykonos, Greece by motorboat.

Medical Highlights

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Cases of Interest:

- 29 y/o Marine had Myocardial Infarction. Greek military hospital contacted and MEDEVAC to Athens arranged. Anticoagulated with Lovanox. Chest pain protocol developed.
- 46 y/o father with acute abdominal pain during Tiger Cruise required MEDEVAC to civilian hospital in North Carolina.

Medical Op-Tempo

Outpatient Encounters

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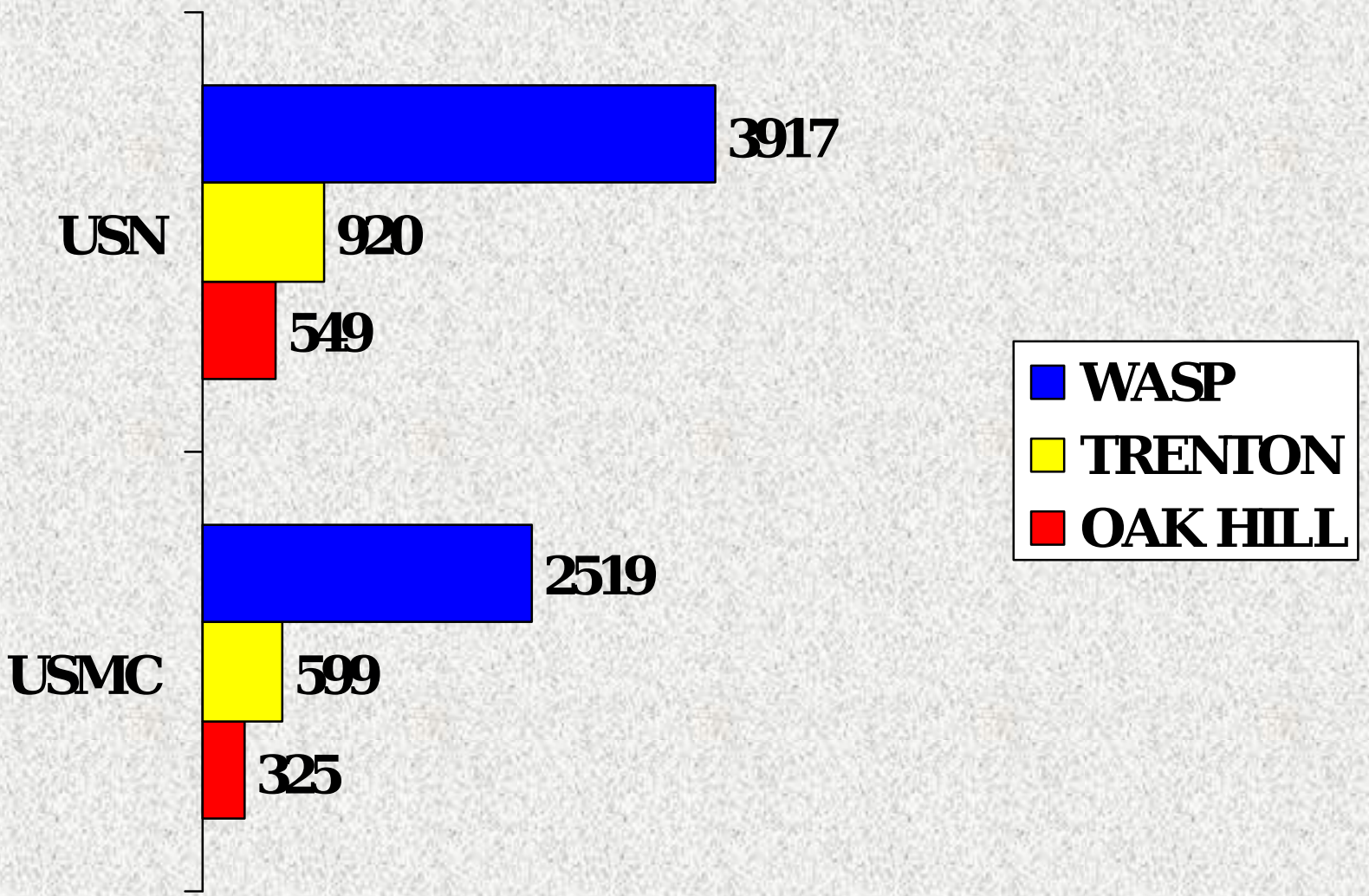

Medical Op-Tempo

Inpatients

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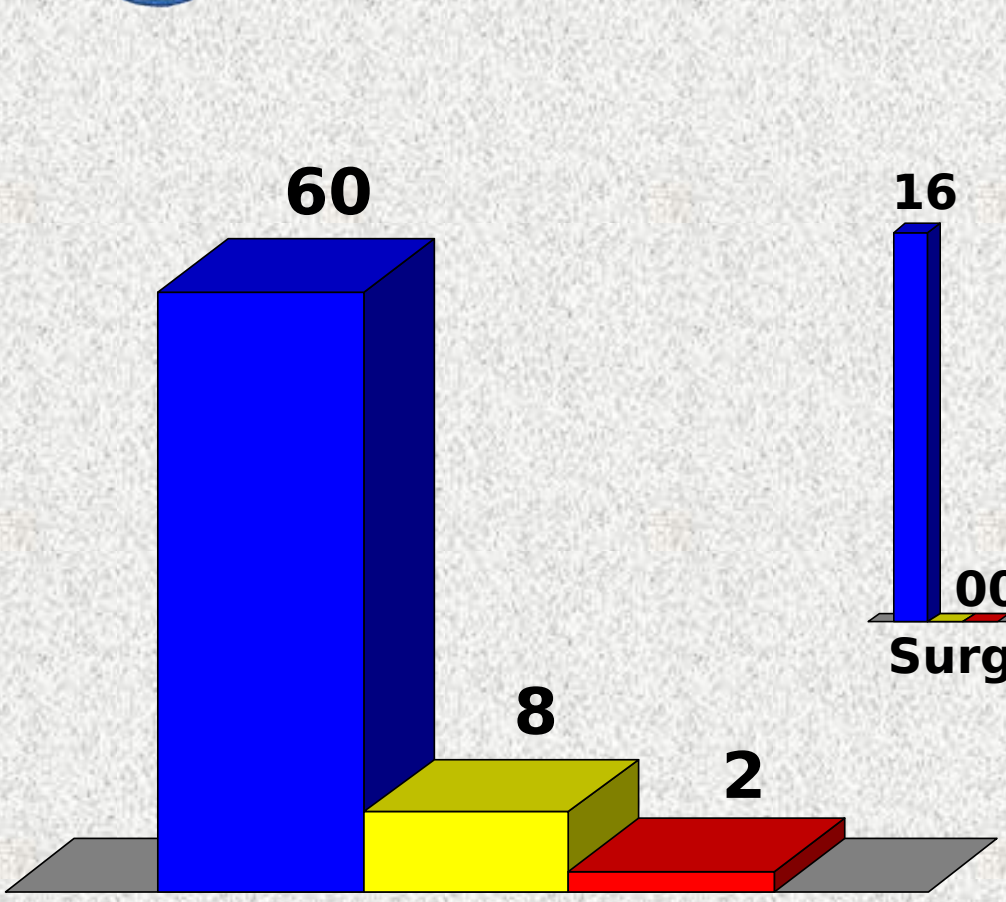
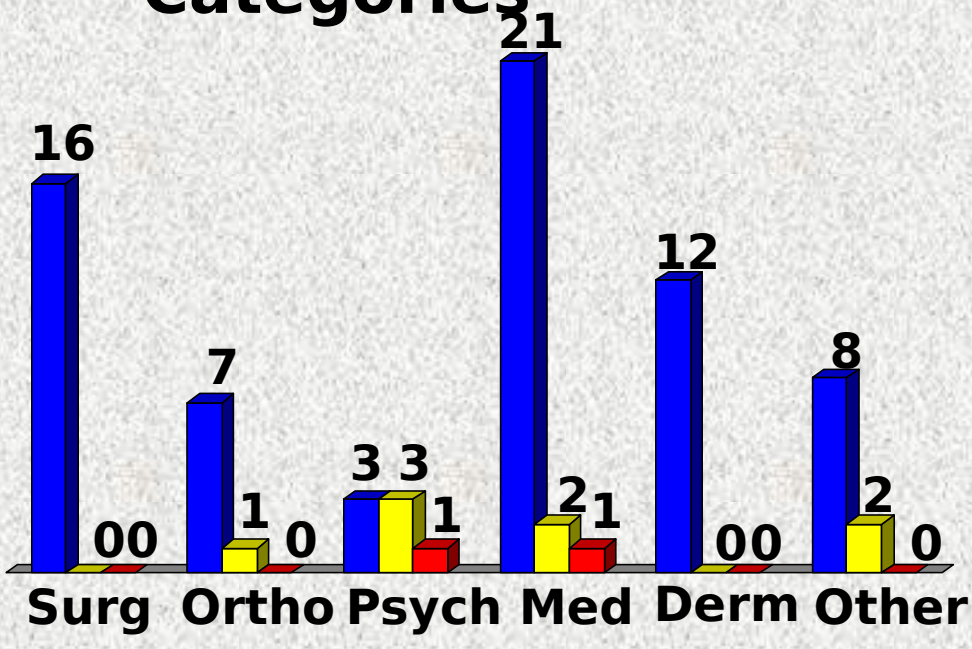
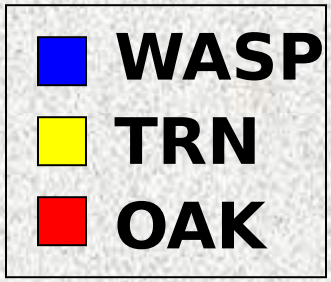


Total Inpatients





Medical Op-Tempo

Intensive Care Unit

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4 TRANSLANT casualties

1 Acute Myocardial Infarction

1 Abdominal pain (atypical presentation of appendicitis)

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Surgical Procedures

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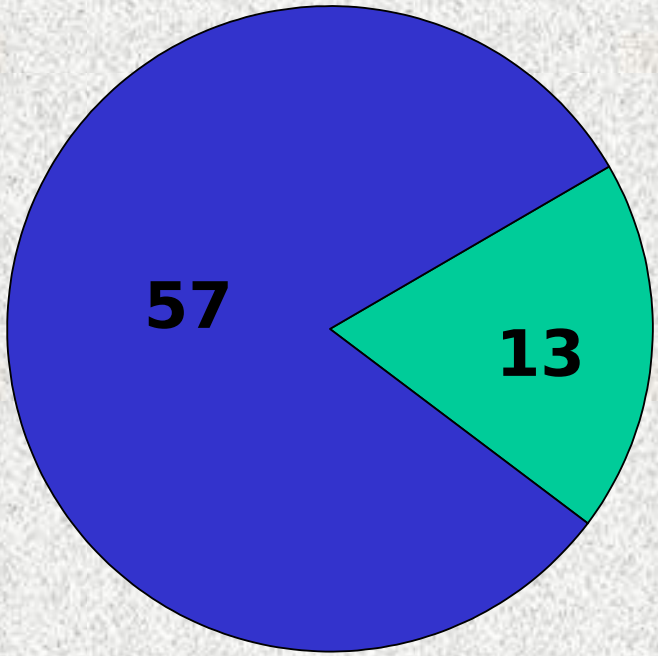
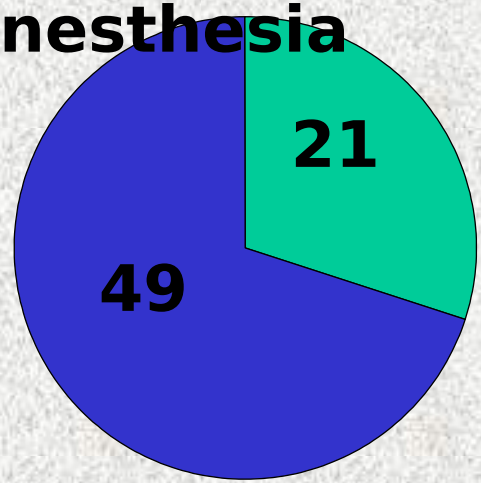
70 Surgical Procedures



Major
Minor

Type of Anesthesia



General/Spinal
Local

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Referrals

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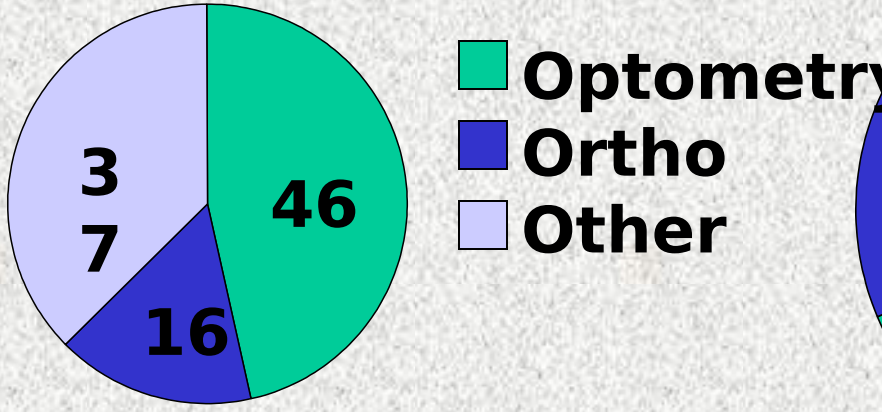
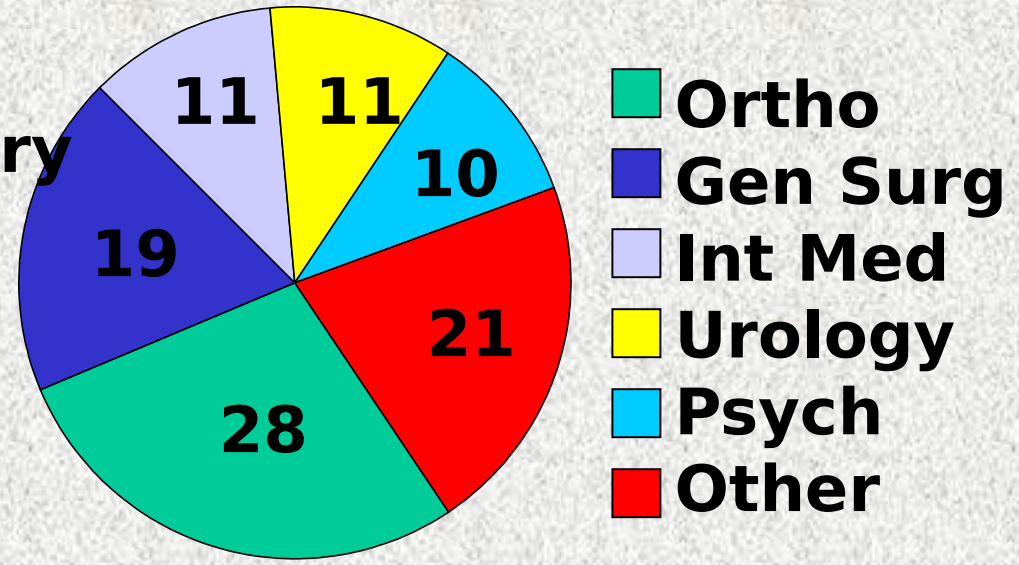
290 Hospital Consults



81 Medevacs



ALL VALUES PERCENTAGES

Medical Op-Tempo
Training

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Basic Life Support certification

Automated External Defibrillator

Bone Marrow Drive

Warfare Qualifications

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	SWMDO	ESWS	EAWS
WASP	6/2	17/20	9/10
TRN	0/1	2/3	0
OAK	0	3/2	0

ARG/MEU

CATF SURGEON

Lessons Learned

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Lessons Learned
Hospitals

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Civilian hospital capabilities/location

Need for 6th Fleet AOR hospital listing

Lessons Learned
Supply Issues

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Non-AMMAL items

- Used
  - Lovanox
  - Thrombin
  - Prolene Mesh
  - Pneumatic Stockings
- Needed
  - Steroid Inhalers

Lessons Learned
Supply Issues

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Non-AMMAL items

- Cipro/Doxy supply for Malaria or Anthrax contingencies
- Laparoscope supplies not sufficient for therapeutic capabilities.

Lessons Learned
Resources

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- 6th Fleet Surgeon & CPG-2 Surgeon
- Fleet liaisons: Rota, Sigonella, Naples, LaMaddelena, Souda Bay & AMC Landstuhl
- USAF MEDEVAC centers (GPMRC and TPMRC)
- NEPMU-7, Sigonella, Italy
- BUMED e-mail mailing list

Lessons Learned
Patient Tracking

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- Daily phone and email contact with fleet liaisons and physicians
- Developed a weekly email MEDEVAC Update List

Lessons Learned

Blue-Green Integration

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- Marines maintained separate sickcall
- Blue and Green Physicians shared duty
- 1 Physician on OAK HILL

Lessons Learned
FST Integration

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CINCPACFLT/CINCLANTFLT INST 5450.5B

- Little impact while deployed
- Continued PHIBRON incorporation
- Need to maintain FST integrity

Summary

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Keys to a successful deployment

- **Preparation**
- **Communication**
- **Cooperation**